

# Alameda County Mayors' Conference

## BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

July 9, 2025

6:30 p.m.

Speedway at Bayfair

[15555 E 14<sup>th</sup> Street, San Leandro, CA](#)

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of June 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes\*
3. Agenda Amendments
4. Public Comments and Other Announcements
5. Member Reports on Regional Boards and Activities
6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

Board Name/ Appointment	District	Incumbent	Applicant(s)	Start	End
No applications were submitted.					

\*Applications submitted for appointment are included with the Nominating Committee agenda packet, which also includes a listing of current regional board vacancies.

7. League of California Cities' Report, Legislative Updates, and Actions
  - a) Samantha Brightman (Caygill), East Bay Regional Public Affairs Manager, League of California Cities
8. Other Business Matters
  - a) Presentation of the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Annual Financial Report
9. Request for Future Agenda Items and Presenters
  - a) September 10, 2025 – Janani Ramachandra, Oakland City Councilmember, regarding East Bay Wildfire Coalition.  
Pursuing Alameda County District Attorney, Ursala Jones Dickson, Eastbay Wildfire Coalition of Governments, and First 5 Alameda County
10. Adjournment

\*Denotes report included below or attached material. Regional board applications are included with the Nominating Committee agenda packet

**Note:** The Mayors' Conference or the Alameda County City Selection Committee may act on any subject posted on this agenda, including nominations from the floor for regional boards.

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## After Meeting Events/ Dinner

- a) **Host City Mayors' Report** – Juan González, Mayor, City of San Leandro
- b) **Guest Speaker** – Howard Chang, Chief Executive Officer, Ava Community Energy  
**Speaker Topic:** Introduction of Howard Chang and Ava Community Energy update.

## Executive Director's Report

### **Item 8 – Alameda County Mayors Conference Year-End Financial Report**

Please refer to the Executive Committee agenda packet for information on this item.

RECOMMENDATION – Provide comment on the 2024 financial report.

## Meeting Information

Speedway at Bayfair  
[15555 E 14<sup>th</sup> Street, San Leandro, CA](http://15555 E 14th Street, San Leandro, CA)

## Parking

Parking is available at the site.

## CALENDAR OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meeting Date	Host City
July 9, 2025	San Leandro
August	Annual Recess
September 10, 2025	Oakland
October 8, 2025	Newark
November 12, 2025	Dublin
December 10, 2025	Fremont

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# ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of June 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Salinas on June 11, 2025, at the City of Albany Community Center, located at 1259 Marin Avenue, Albany, CA.

## 1. Roll Call

The following mayors, or their elected alternates, were present during the proceedings:

City	Member Attendee
Alameda	Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Albany	Mayor Robin López
Berkeley	Mayor Adena Ishii
Emeryville	Mayor David Moura
Fremont	Mayor Raj Salwan
Hayward	Mayor Mark Salinas
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Michael Hannon
Oakland	Mayor Barbara Lee
Piedmont	Mayor Betsy Smegel Andersen
Pleasanton	Mayor Jack Balch
San Leandro	Mayor Juan González

## 2. Approval of the May 14, 2025, Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Marchand and seconded by Mayor Gonzalez to approve the May 14, 2025, meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 3. Agenda Amendments

There were no agenda amendments.

## 4. Public Comments and Other Announcements

Sean Burrows, President of the Alameda County Fire Fighters Local 55, provided an update on Alameda County's review of proposals to provide future 9-1-1 emergency ambulance transport services and encouraged mayors to contact the Alameda County Health Emergency Medical Services to express support for the Alameda County Fire Department's bid. Mr. Burrows addressed questions for Mayor Ishii and Mayor Hannon.

Barnali Ghosh, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Director, provided a system update, including information on ridership increases, improved passenger safety, coordination with cities regarding summer events, and funding issues.

Niki Fortunato Bas, Alameda County Supervisor (D5), provided an update on Alameda County activities and announced planned town hall meetings to discuss the disposition of Alameda County's sales tax measure (Measure W), which California courts recently upheld.

Stephen Baiter, Executive Director of the East Bay Economic Development Alliance, provided an update, including the impact of federal tariffs and upcoming events.

Mayor Salinas announced that he would like to restart the Alameda County cities' homelessness task force and circulated a sign-up sheet for mayors to indicate their interest in participating.

#### **5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees**

Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft of Alameda provided an update on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), including information regarding the agency and SB 563.

Mayor Juan González provided an update on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) that included information regarding the potential impact of federal changes to the authority of air districts. He also discussed recent findings regarding anticipated future sea level rises.

#### **6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications**

President Marchand announced that the Nominating Committee had made its recommendations on the applications included in its meeting agenda from June 11, 2025, and opened the floor for comments and nominations. Seeing no additional nominations, it was moved by Mayor Balch and seconded by Mayor Salinas that the Alameda County Mayors' Conference and the Alameda County City Selection Committee accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations to appoint Hellen R. Mayfield, 3111 Maguire Way #309, Dublin, CA, to the Alameda County Advisory Commission on Aging for the Southern Region for a four-year term ending in June 2029.

The motion was approved unanimously and so moved.

#### **7. League of California Cities Reports, Legislative Updates, and Actions**

Samantha Caygill, Regional Public Affairs Manager, East Bay Division, League of California Cities (League), was not present at the meeting.

#### **8. Other Business Matters**

a) Alameda County Supervisor Lena Tam (D3) introduced Brentt Blaser, Emergency Manager with the Alameda County Sheriff's Department, who discussed Alameda County's emergency notification system, including its capabilities, opportunities for consolidation with all Alameda County cities, and planned upgrades. He also discussed plans to conduct an alert warning exercise later this year and thanked the Alameda County Board of Supervisors for recognizing the importance of the system.

b) Mayor Salina introduced Michael Lawson, Acting City Manager for the City of Hayward, who briefly discussed recent Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and his new role as acting City Manager.

Mayor Salinas distributed a draft statement regarding the federal government's recent immigration enforcement activities and indicated his interest in having the Mayors'

Conference support it or an edited version of the statement. The mayors engaged in a lengthy discussion expressing support, concerns, and opposition to the statement. Following this discussion, Mayor Salinas indicated that he would distribute the statement so that cities could review and edit it to try to gain consensus.

**9. Request for Future Agenda Items and Presenters**

An interest was expressed in having a representative from First Five Alameda County present. A recommendation was also made to invite Alameda County District Attorney Ursula Jones Dickson and a representative from the East Bay Wildfire Coalition of Governments.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bocian  
Executive Director

Following the meeting's conclusion, Mayor Lopez of Albany provided a host city report. In addition, Elizabeth Funk, Founder and CEO of DignityMoves, Adrian Covert, Senior Vice President of Public Policy for the Bay Area Council, and Kevin Faulconer, former Mayor of San Diego and visiting professor at the Pepperdine School of Public Policy, presented information on their approach to addressing unsheltered homelessness.

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## Listing of Current Regional Board Vacancies

Updated on June 17, 2025, for the July 9, 2025, Meeting

Board Name	# Seats Available	District/Area Residency Requirement *	Open To**	Incumbent	Application Due Date	Scheduled Appt. Date	For Term Ending	Appointing Authority
<b>REGIONAL BOARD POSITIONS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS</b>								
Alameda County Airport Land Use Commission	1	N/A	P	Vacant	05/25/2025	06/11/2025	06/11/2029	City Selection Committee
Alameda County Airport Land Use Commission	1	N/A	P	Marchand	05/25/2025	06/11/2025	06/11/2029	City Selection Committee
Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board - Alternate	1	N/A	M	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board	1	N/A	M	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee	1	North	M	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee	1	Middle	M	Mayor Salinas	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee - Alternate Member	1	N/A	M	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
East Bay Regional Communications System JPA Board - Regular and Alternate Member	1 Regular 1 Alternate	N/A	M	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference

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Board Name	# Seats Available	District/Area Residency Requirement *	Open To**	Incumbent	Application Due Date	Scheduled Appt. Date	For Term Ending	Appointing Authority
<b>REGIONAL BOARD POSITIONS PRIMARILY FOR NON-ELECTED OFFICIALS</b>								
Alameda County Continuum of Care Leadership Board, Regional Representative. EveryOne Home	1	Mid-county	R, M	Vacant	Open	Open	Three years	Mayors' Conference
ACTC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee	1	D1 - Haubert	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
ACTC Independent Watchdog Committee	1	D1 - Haubert	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
ACTC Independent Watchdog Committee	1	D2 - Márquez	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
ACTC Independent Watchdog Committee	1	D4 - Miley	R	Alfred Exner	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
ACTC Independent Watchdog Committee	1	D5 - Fortuna Bas	R	Damian Park	Open	Open	Two Years	Mayors' Conference
Alameda County Advisory Commission on Aging	3	AlCo South	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Four Years	Mayors' Conference
Alameda County Advisory Commission on Aging	2	AlCo North	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Four Years	Mayors' Conference
Alameda County Human Relations Commission	1	N/A	R	Vacant	Open	Open	Four Years	Mayors' Conference

- For additional information, please contact Steven Bocian, Alameda County Mayors' Conference, Executive Director, at [sbocian@acmayorsconference.org](mailto:sbocian@acmayorsconference.org)
- See the current Alameda County Supervisorial District Map [here](#).
- \* AlCo North includes Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont, San Leandro, and Oakland. AlCo South includes the remaining cities
- M = Mayor
- P = Public Officers (Elected or appointed)
- R = Resident of Alameda County residing in the supervisorial district or area noted/ M=Mayor in Alameda County or City Councilmember nominated by the city's mayor and approved by the Mayors' Conference

**\*\*\* Note:**

1. Applications due June 25, 2025, will be considered at the July 9, 2025, Alameda County Mayors' Conference Meeting.
2. Applications for "Open" positions will be processed as they are received.